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Detectives Free Man From Cave

Due to the untiring efforts and unrelenting determination of Divisional Inspector J. F. Clarke and Chinese detectives Wong Kan, Lo Chung, Mok Yip and Chan Hui, of the Kowloon City Police Station, who walked for hours in the hills, Chow Chung-yim, 28-year-old foki of the Yuen Shing Loong Rice Shop of 35 South Wall Road, was able to regain his freedom after 48 hours' captivity in a cave near Fu Fung Pi Hill (Stoker's Peak).

Close cooperation between the C.I.D.s of Kowloon City, Mongkok, and Tsimtatsui resulted in the rounding up of the remainder of the gang allegedly responsible for an armed robbery, and the kidnapping of Chow, at 7.30 p.m. on March 25.

According to the Police, seven masked Chinese (four armed with revolvers and three with daggers), gained admittance into 35 South Wall Road, ground floor, and promptly proceeded to hustle the inmates into the kitchen, where they were blindfolded and bound. The robbers, it was alleged, stayed for about 45 minutes ransacking the premises.

After the unwelcome visitors had departed with their booty of money, jewellery and clothing valued at \$502.50 and (as hostages) one of the foks, Chow Chung-yim, whom the robbers mistook for the shop owner, and another foki, Chan Yu, made a telephone report to the Police.

As the result of intensive inquiries, members of the Kowloon City C.I.D. carried out a search

of the Shatin Gap district on Thursday. Inside a cave on the hillside near Salting Bend they found the kidnapped man (with his feet chained and double-locked, his eyes blindfolded, and his ears plugged) in the custody of another Chinese. Chow was immediately released, and his captor taken into custody.

Further inquiries resulted in the arrest of five other suspects during the same day.

On the same day, a clue to the robbery was obtained by Detective Lau Chuen of Tsimtatsui Police Station, Lam Division, who proceeded with DSI Sykes and two detectives from Ming Kok to a garage at 3 Julia Road, Hongkong, and there arrested Yeung Chi-ching, 26, coolie, and a woman named Tee He.

At 7.30 p.m. on Friday, Lau Chuen went to a house at Shantung Street where Lai Choi, alias Tau Pui Lai (Pockmarked Lal), 25, and Lam Pui, 26, were apprehended.

Nine Charged
The result of the Police work was the appearance before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr yesterday of all the nine men and the woman on the following charges:—
Tang, Wan-keung, 28, and Yau Kwai, 45, former forcible detention of Chow Chung-yim in a cave near Fu Yung Pi Hill; and aiding and abetting in the kidnapping of Chow. Tang was further charged with aiding and abetting in the armed robbery.

Yeung Chi-ching, alias Yuen Fat Yuen, Kung-shun at Yuen Kwok-keung, Yuen Chi-ming, Lai Choi alias Tau Pui Lai, Hui Yeung and Lam Pui, armed robbery at 35 South Wall Road, ground floor, on March 25, and kidnapping of Chow Chung-yim with intent to procure a ransom.

Choi Yuen, counselling and procuring the foregoing seven defendants in both the robbery and kidnapping.

Tee He, woman, receiving at 3 Julia Road, garage, one pair of cotton trousers.

On the application of Det.-Ins. A. Leslie all accused were remanded for three days in Police custody.

The accused, whose name has not yet been disclosed, will, it is understood, be charged with spending about £1,000 abroad instead of the regulation limit of £75.

The first case will be heard at the Bow Street Magistrate's Court, central London. The second will come up at the Hampshire Court on April 11 and the third in Warwickshire on April 30.

In all, about 100 people are involved, including 25 women and at least two titled people.

Scotland Yard Chief Inspector Wilfred Tate is now continuing inquiries in France, as a result of which it is expected that another 60 summonses may be issued later.—Reuter.

London, Mar. 28.
The Exchange Telegraph reported from Cairo tonight that a bomb was thrown at the headquarters of the Anglo-Egyptian Union on the outskirts of Cairo.—United Press.

THE WEATHER
The weak anticyclone continues to move E. and is now centred over the Eastern Sea and losing intensity. Prevailing winds low to the NE of Japan, from whence a vigorous trough extends E. and W. Pressure is relatively low over N. and W. China to the E. of North Luzon and over the equatorial regions.

Today's Forecast:—Moderate easterly winds, tending to veer; fine at first, becoming cloudy; morning haze; warm.

Yesterday's Weather:—Maximum: 74.1 deg. Fah. Minimum: 63.5 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 10.5 hours. Rainfall: Nil. Total since January 1: 161.4 mm. as against an average of 147.4 mm.

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BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S GREATEST WEAKNESS

Inability To Get Information Across To The People Give The Press The Facts

London, Mar. 28.
Declaring that the British Government had done magnificently but that its greatest weakness had been its inability to get information across to the people, Mr. Harold Boardman, Labour Member of Parliament and trade union official, suggested in the House of Commons today that instead of giving newspapers the ordinary formal handout, which newspapers did not want in any case, the Government should employ the best British journalists and say "This is news, make it as bright as you know how."

Mr. Boardman, who was their morale kept at the highest pitch, speaking in a brief adjournment debate on the relationship between the British Government and the press, said that there would be an overriding qualification that these journalists must stick to facts. In the last analysis, the minister would be responsible to Parliament.

Instead of the press and the Government "kicking one another to death," he would invite the press to print what had been written by these journalists. It would be an invitation: whether the newspapers chose to print it or not would be their business.

In the minds of the average reader, Mr. Boardman said, the British popular press, with notable exceptions, had become increasingly unreliable—with unfairness, distortion, understatement and overstatement. That probably arose from the fact that the press had become more interested in the presentations of views than news.

Naked Facts
It was absolutely necessary in the interests of the nation to get across to the people the contents of the Government's economic survey and to impress people with the grimness of the path that lay ahead, he added.

Mr. Wilson Harris, Independent Member for Cambridge University and editor of the political weekly, "The Spectator," said that after long experience he felt there was only one safe rule in the relations between the Government and the press. The Government must give plain, unvarnished news. The press must have naked facts. The Government should interfere with the press as little as possible, and the press should be free to comment on the Government.

Mistakes were being made, but not everything was unattractive. He did not think Mr. Boardman's suggestion would improve the situation.

Mr. Derek Walker-Smith, Conservative, said it was obvious that at present because of the shortage of space there must be some compression, but most newspapers tried to present facts as facts, and kept comment apart.

Sheet Anchor
Lieut.-Colonel A. Marlowe, Conservative, said that to say the Government was not getting good publicity was denying it was a good government because publicity in newspapers was a reflection of public opinion. One had to be very careful about getting anywhere near any question of control of the press.

Mr. Glanville Hall, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, who, owing to the shortness of time had to compress his reply into a few minutes, said it could not be stressed too much that propaganda was not the work of the Government. That was their sheet anchor.

"The Government's job is not, in my view, to use the machine at its disposal to put over its own merely party point of view," he added. "It should use all facilities it has to put before the public the facts of any situation, so that the public will be fully informed and

able to make its own choice."

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"Do You Know Who Won...?"

From about 11 o'clock last night until going to press, the small hours of this morning, the Night Editor's phone was busier than it has ever been in the last 12 months. Service messes, clubs and private individuals—including one unknown lady with a charming voice—all wanted to know (a) who won the Grand National and, more often than not (b) who won the Boat Race.

The results of both appear on Page 10.

"Lidice Action" Trial

Prague, Mar. 28.
Harold Wiesmann, 38, former chief of the Kldno Gestapo, who directed the destruction of Lidice, today told the People's Court, "The Lidice action was wrong and the official communiqué on Lidice was untrue."

Wiesmann and his deputy, Thomas Karl Thomsen, both admitted in court that no weapons were found in Lidice before the order for its "liquidation" was given and that no proof was ever found that the town had sheltered parachutists as the Nazis claimed in their official communiqué.

A delegation of women survivors of Lidice sat in court facing Wiesmann and 15 other former Gestapo officers who are collectively charged with practically every crime in Czechoslovakia's "retribution decree."

All 16 participated in the "Lidice Action" on June 10, 1942.—United Press.

RAYON PLANT IN INDIA
Bombay, Mar. 28.
India's first Rayon plant, to be constructed near Bombay, will cost \$10,000,000 and is scheduled to begin production late in the year 1949, according to Henry Van Kester, representative of an American Rayon manufacturing firm.

Construction is to begin after negotiations between the Americans and a group of Bombay industrialists.

There is talk of similar plants in Madras, Calcutta, and Lahore.—Associated Press.

Britain Not Asking Reparations
London, Mar. 28.
A protest against the fact that Italy was not making any reparations to Great Britain was made in the House of Commons today by Mr. Ellis Smith, a former member of the Government, after Mr. Hector McNeil, the Minister of State, had asked Parliament for the necessary power—which was given without a vote—to give effect to the peace treaties with Italy, Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Finland.

Mr. Ellis Smith, who resigned as Parliamentary Secretary after a disagreement on policy to the Board of Trade last year with Sir Stafford Cripps, said that Italian electrical engineers, who were among the most competent in the world, could have been called upon to build hydro-electric stations in Britain in view of Britain's serious fuel and manpower situation.

In reply, Mr. McNeil, who is also the Foreign Secretary's deputy at the Foreign Office, said the reason Britain was not exacting reparations from Italy was because the reparations were not there.

Smith said he had made a suggestion on reparations

Marshall Playing "Hard To Get"

Moscow, Mar. 28.
General Marshall is playing "hard to get" with Soviet Premier Stalin. At the end of the third week of his stay in Moscow the U.S. Secretary of State has made no overtures for a talk with Stalin and his advisors insist he has no plans now to take such initiative.

Likewise, he has held no private talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov although he has conferred outside the Council several times with Mr. Ernest Bevin and M. Georges Bidault.

Marshall's advisors here, especially those at the Embassy, have been opposed to his seeking an audience with Stalin up to now and some of them think Bevin made a tactical error in asking to see Stalin. Since the Stalin-Bevin meeting it was learned Stalin grabbed the ball during the talk with Bevin and offered Soviet economic help to the British during their current crisis.

The American view is that Stalin thus was able to put Bevin on the defensive immediately and in the embarrassing position of having to accept or reject the offer of the Soviet's helping hand.

Marshall expects to see Stalin before leaving here but it is understood he has been anxious to keep President Truman's new policy divorced from the discussions here. It is also believed he would like to hold off the Stalin meeting until after the Council discusses the United States proposed four-power disarmament treaty for Germany so if the Soviets object again he can bring the matter up with the top staff.

U.S. Rejection
Former Secretary of State Byrnes contended that Stalin had agreed in principle to such a treaty although Molotov always rejected it subsequently. In the Council itself Marshall continues his calm but firm yet cautious attitude which leaves most delegates, including Americans, with the feeling of not knowing the man.

Marshall will reject the Soviet compromise proposal for definition of German assets in Austria, it was learned today. Marshall regards as unsatisfactory the compromise suggested by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov.

COAL MINE CASUALTIES
Centralia, Ill., Mar. 28.
Eleven more bodies were found today in the Centralia coal mine here, the scene of the explosion on Tuesday, bringing the number of known dead up to 78, with 83 missing.

The men in the mine at the time totaled 142, of whom 31 were rescued alive.—Reuter.

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HAWKER PROBLEM

The very human approach of the Urban Council Committee to the Hawker problem, which is illustrated at every point in the comprehensive Report published this week, will commend itself to every competent observer of the social scene. Hawkers are a nuisance. They should have no place in a properly-regulated metropolis like Hong Kong. They cause obstruction, are a danger to the public health, compete unfairly with shopkeepers and market stallholders, provide a medium for protection and squeeze rackets, serve as an outlet for stolen goods, and, generally, by annoyance affect largely the service they render to the community, one way or another. The case for total abolition in urban areas, except for a limited number of indispensable, is complete and incontrovertible, until the realities of Hong Kong's present-day economy are examined. The Committee on Hawking is, from this point of view, to be congratulated on both its angle of approach and the conclusions that it has reached. If anything, the Report which has been produced leans over backwards in its determination to be fair, to align what it terms the counsel of perfection with the plain fact that, as things are at present, hawking provides the rice bowl of very large numbers of people, and it makes recommendations which, calculated as a short-term policy, should at least achieve the immediate objective which cannot be more than to bring the existing situation under some measure of control. To this end, it is proposed that licences should be issued to large numbers of hawkers on clearly defined terms, the principle of which is that they ply their trade in the area to which they are allotted or for which they indicate a preference. The itinerant hawker, wandering from street to street and making the welkin ring with his cries, is to be eliminated unless his particular line entitles him to a new class of licence, a Pedlar's Licence, selling anything from brooms to brown paper. No further countenance is to be given to hawking in the centre of the city, newspaper vendors alone securing exclusion from the ban. Certain streets and open spaces will be set aside as places where licensed hawkers may secure for themselves fixed pitches and if, in practice, these prove insufficient to meet the requirements, encouragement is to be given to the creation of private "markets" by clearance of ruined property and the allotment of spaces on payment to the landlord of nominal rentals. Such is the general scheme, and an excellent one it is. The Committee, however, still fails—with perhaps small need for an apology for skirting difficult ground—to offer any practical suggestion for reducing the actual number of hawkers, licensed and unlicensed, from the 50,000 now active, an extremely conservative estimate, to the number of 15,000 with which their recommendations are designed to deal. The difference of 35,000 is concerned no less with the filling of a rice bowl than the 15,000 envisaged in the system they propose for control and allocation; and where the economic needs and consequences are approximately similar, it is small wonder that the Committee hesitated to define lines of discrimination. It is true, one temporary route of escape has been provided. It is required, or advocated, that before any action of any kind is contemplated, the fullest publicity should be given to the scheme as a whole and to the reasons for the steps and more, especially to those whose livelihood would be immediately affected. Insofar as this clearly indicates that the issue has been faced with sympathy and understanding, it earns credit. The fact remains that until such time as a coordinated campaign is undertaken against unlicensed hawkers, voluntary retirement into other pursuits is an expectation of "super-optimism." What we should like to see is a scheme, carefully prepared to handle displaced hawkers when they are

Do you think silkworm rearers should abstain from alcohol?

History Has Always Had Quaint Drinking Taboos

Liquor Laws Are Generally Imposed From Above, But Tomorrow YOU Decide What Time Your Pub Shall Close.

From the day Neolithic man discovered the "delightfully" intoxicating influence of fermented dogberry juice, surrounded by drinking with taboos. Some of these taboos are quaint, some have an economic or moral basis, and some are as crazy as an alcoholic's delirium. The natives of certain African tribes drink beer through a gourd. The liquor must not touch their lips, or the Gods would wreak vengeance. Gold Coast natives are forbidden by their chiefs to drink on certain days of the year. Bangladeshi natives must drink only during tribal feasts. In Chota Nagpur, India, men must abstain from alcohol while rearing silkworms. An all-time high in nonsense is reached by the Masai Indians of Africa, when they brew a man and woman, neither of whom has had close contact with the opposite sex for two days, and seclude them in a tent. The wine takes six days to brew. During this time the couple live together in the tent, but are sworn to remain chaste. When the wine is brewed the couple are paid for their work, and go to their respective homes. The Masai believe that if the brewers are not continent the wine will be impure when the chosen couple remain pure but the wine turns sour. As for six weeks closing it is a good, bad, repressive or futuristic necessity to our philosophy and is not a matter of opinion. On all past judgments tomorrow at the referendum. The masses do not often have a chance to decide such issues. Throughout history, and in most countries, the laws which govern the people's bibulous entertainments have nearly always been imposed from above. Occasionally these laws have been realistic and sensible, like those of Henry III, who appointed ale-tasters to see that all liquor sold was of high quality. Records also show that in England in the thirteenth century taverns were not allowed to open after curfew, but could remain open seven days a week. The bishops in the seventeenth century, who blamed their declining numbers on the ale-houses instead of their own foolishness, succeeded in getting the pubs closed on the Sabbath. There was a time in the English past when anyone could run a tavern—anyone, that is, who could make a parlor warm and cheerful enough to attract customers. Britain's rulers in the 18th century grew afraid of political theories abroad in the ale-houses. They decided to license publicans, and grant permits only to those who swore allegiance to King and Church. The Church exploited the innovation, began taking a prominent part in approving or disapproving of applications for licences. Church leaders also whipped up agitation against the sale of strong drink. The authorities promptly spotted a method of appeasing Church pressure, and enriching the State treasury. In 1736 Parliament passed the Gin Act, which imposed an almost prohibitive tax on spirits. The restrictive legislation didn't have the effect desired. Scotch distillers smuggled spirits into England. Liquor consumption rose. Even spirits, on which prohibitive excise was paid, poured down British throats at the rate of 6,000,000 gallons instead of the normal 4,000,000 a year. Parliament later scuttled the Gin Act and replaced it with a more tolerant Licensing Act. The new Act encouraged innkeepers to supply food and shelter for travellers. In 1860 Gladstone introduced a Refreshment Houses Act, which permitted grocers to sell wine. His object was to encourage drinking at home rather than in the taverns. But from the date when the authorities licensed taverns and demanded surrenders to guarantee that customers would behave, drinking in England has been under police surveillance. Today liquor can be sold in England for nine hours between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m. A break of two hours after noon is compulsory. The authorities allow an extra hour for consumption of liquor after it is sold. In many parts of Britain local licensing authorities permit the sale of liquor on Sunday, but able of response could be given the rudiments of a trade, or put to work until such time as they could be absorbed into industry. Nothing could be more futile than crowding Stanley Gao, with those who now cluster up 200 streets

By BRYON BLUNDEN

than hotels. The number of hotels has fallen from 120,000 in 1900 to 60,000 today. The number of clubs has increased from 5000 to 15,000 in the same time. In Britain any 25 persons may band together and set up a club with permission to supply liquor. Clubs are outside the control of licensing magistrates. If laws are broken, police can seek designation of a club through a police court. The development of the club in Britain seems a fairly obvious protest against police supervision of the individual's drinking habits. The Englishman prefers to drink in conditions of his own choice rather than in those which the authorities think suitable for him. The English club is the nearest approach to the continental beer garden. It is a place where friends gather to talk and have a spot. It is free from the morbid concentration on getting drunk which you see in the pub, and there is more responsibility for social behavior. The United States with its long history of temperance agitation and State attempts at prohibition, holds top place for repressive laws. Rhode Island started a Sunday-closing avalanche in 1673. Georgia banned all liquor imports in 1733. Philadelphia imposed prohibitive taxes on liquor in 1790. Oregon introduced prohibition in 1843. Maine tried it in 1846. Twelve other States followed suit. States which imposed high licence fees to discourage drinking found it had the opposite effect. Saloon keepers boosted their trade to recover their outlay.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

A WINNING CONVENTION

If your immediate sublimed, over an intervening double of your partner's opening bid, shows approximately the same strength as if the double had not been made, your pair is getting along without one of the most valuable point-winning conventions. Yet many players bid that way, and among them are some of the high rankers. Closer study by them of the convention whereby such an immediate bid shows weakness, might enable them to see that they have been missing a lot of good opportunities for gain.

S. None
 H. K J 10 3
 D. K J 9 6 4
 C. K 10 8 3

S. Q J 8 3
 H. Q 9 7 2
 D. A 8 5
 C. A Q 5

S. A K 7 6 5
 H. A 8 4
 D. Q 10
 C. J 9 4

(Dealer: South, Neither side vulnerable.)

South West North East
 1 S Dbl 2 D Pass
 2 S Pass 3 H Pass
 3 NT
 2 S Dbl Pass 2 C
 Pass Pass Dbl
 There was the bidding at two tables of a duplicate game. At Table 1, the conventions in use by the North-South pair were such that a bid over the double showed the same kind of hand as if the double had not been made. North considered that a pass by him would have shown weakness, so he bid his 3 NT suit as a response. The side

then naturally gravitated into a game at No Trumps and made an extra trick, for a score of 130 for tricks plus 300 bonus for not-vulnerable game—total 430.

At the second table, an immediate bid over the double would have shown general high-card weakness, with enough probable playing tricks to protect against a bad set. With strength, but not enough for a good redouble, the action by North over a double should be a pass, with later action showing strength. So that is what North did. As a result, East's response to the double reached him as a choice morsel, which he doubled. It was defeated five tricks, the way the play went, for a score of 300. That illustrated the greatest value of this convention—a lure to get the opponents to stick their necks out. Note that any escape from the 2-Clubs would still have left East-West in trouble.

Tomorrow's Problem

S. J 10 6 5 2
 H. K Q 8 7 4
 D. Q 8
 C. 5

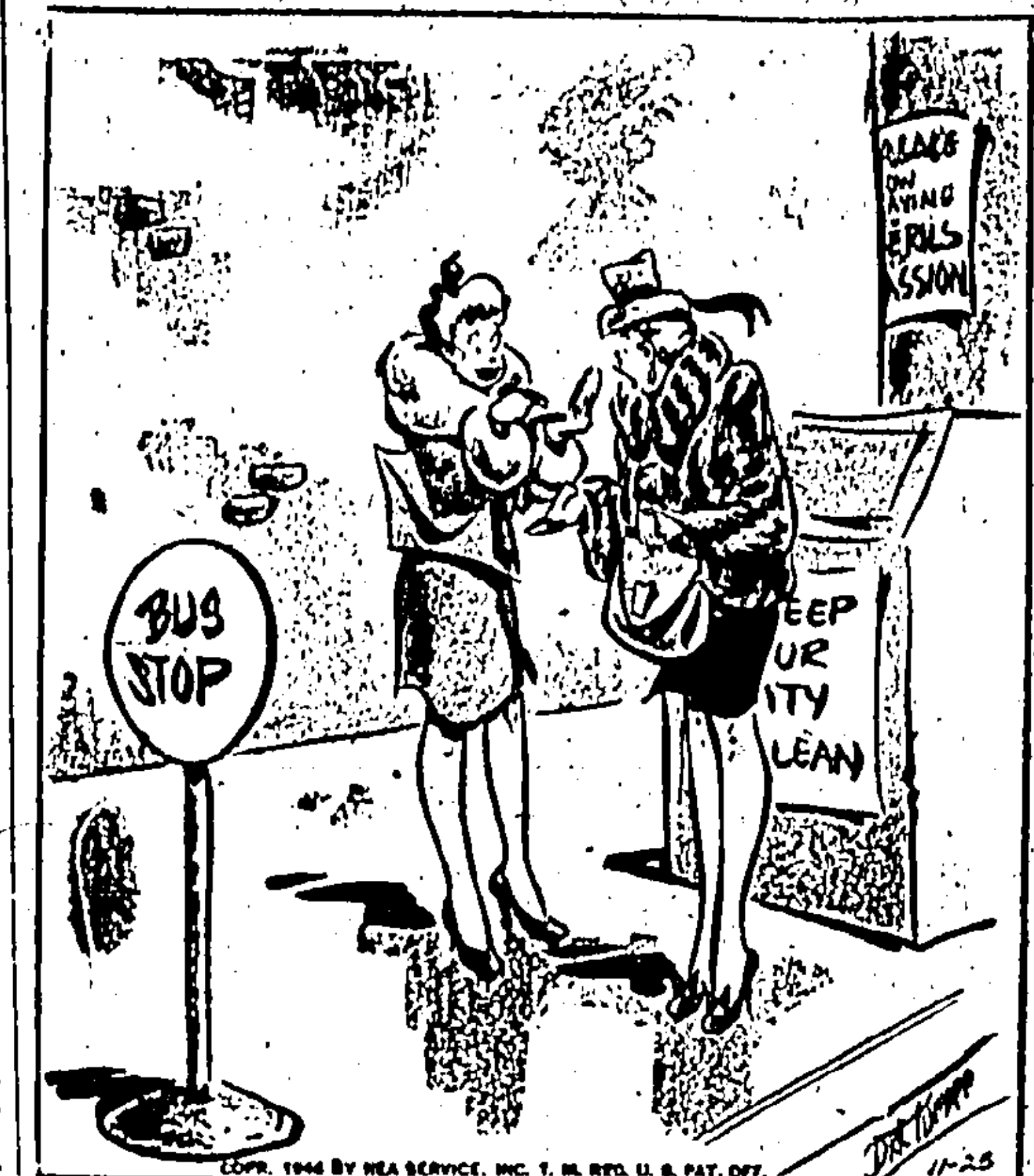
S. Q 8 7
 H. 5 3
 D. J 10 9 8
 C. 10

S. None
 H. None
 D. A 7 6 5 4 2
 C. A Q J 9 8 3 2

(Dealer: West, East-West vulnerable.)
 After East's 1-Heart, South's 2-Diamonds, North's 2-Spades and East's pass, what should South bid?

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



Tom Hazelrigg Retiring For Second Time

(By Barbara Price)

One of Hong Kong's ablest administrators, The Honourable T.M. Hazelrigg, will sign his last memorandum in a Government file next week. For the second time in ten years, the 64-year-old special advisor to the Administration will retire from Government service. He and his wife are scheduled to depart for England Saturday via B.O.A.C. plane.

His plans for the future, Mr. Hazelrigg asserts, can be summed up in two words: "Grow Fruit." After a month of hiking, fishing and relaxing in the English Lake district near Scotland, the Hazelriggs will settle in "Old House" their country home in Shropshire and concentrate their energies on the orchards around them.

The first time Mr. Hazelrigg retired from Government service in Hong Kong was in 1937. Then, as now, he had visions of a quiet life in the country. But his peace was broken by the noises made by a little man in Berlin.

Instead of settling down, he plunged into war work. This began as early as the spring of 1938. An organizer in his area of the A.R.P., he joined the Home Guard and became second in command of the 4th Battalion.

Qualified as a solicitor in 1905, Mr. Hazelrigg practised law in England until 1914 when he joined the Army. After serving in France, in the Irish Rebellion, North Russia and the Army of the Black Sea he came to Hong Kong as First Assistant Crown Solicitor.

After serving in that capacity he was appointed, Treasury Solicitor, then Registrar to the Supreme Court and finally, in 1935, Crown Solicitor.

Carvalho Yeo
 His legal career in Hong Kong has been varied and colourful. He recalls the "Carvalho Yeo" forgery case in which a quarter of a million dollars was embezzled as one of the most interesting cases in which he prosecuted.

"Then there were kidnapping and murder cases which were rather nice," Mr. Hazelrigg added smiling.

Mr. Hazelrigg's final Government chore has been setting up the legal machinery for the Colony's first municipal election scheduled sometime in early summer. That, he reports, is presently "on ice" awaiting final approval from the Secretary of State.

As a veteran Hong Kong official he will be remembered by many for his work with the Society for the Protection of Children. Established by him in 1930, the organization has done a great deal toward bettering the lot of unfortunate children in the Colony. Mr. Hazelrigg has served as honorary director for 17 years.

Mr. Hazelrigg leaves only too happy to exchange the headaches of Government for the peace of Shropshire.

"It's been an interesting life with the Government," he declared, "But I'm quite content to grow my fruit."

POPE'S HOLIDAY
 Vatican City, Mar. 28.
 An authoritative Vatican source said today that Pope Pius may leave tomorrow for a 15-day rest at his summer residence of Castel Gandolfo, 30 kilometres south of Rome. The source said the Pope was expected to leave late tomorrow afternoon for the winter country home.

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Ritual Murder Reprieve

Accra, Mar. 28.
The two Gold Coast natives condemned to death for ju-ju ritual murder—three others accused of the same crime were executed last Monday—were reprieved today by the Governor of the Gold Coast, exercising his prerogative.

Last Monday the five men were taken to the gallows, and after three had been hanged the execution of sentence of the other two was postponed—for the eighth time since 1944—because of notice of appeal to the British Privy Council had been lodged.

The announcement of reprieve was made today to the Legislative Council.

The number of times on which the execution of sentence on the men has been postponed evoked a storm of protest in the British House of Commons and appeals to the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee—*Reuter.*

Mass Protests In Ruhr Towns

Dusseldorf, Mar. 28.

British military cars were overturned and stones hurled at an Army staff car, carrying British press correspondents here today during the biggest hunger demonstrations in the Ruhr since the end of the war.

More than 100,000 men, women and children were assembled in a park in the centre of the city, bearing placards, reading "No food: No work" and "Don't let our babies starve."

A one-day general strike, ordered by local trades unions, brought transport services to a standstill and closed down factories.

Since early morning, long processions of workers, housewives and children had been marching through the city's streets and by 11.00 a.m. the demonstration was still gathering strength.

The mood of the crowd was higher than during any other demonstration held in the Ruhr this week against the general food crisis. The few British uniformed personnel on the streets were met with boos and sneers.

Lorries were parked near the entrance to the park to prevent British cars getting through. Horvies and carts, bearing such slogans as "No food—no work" and "We are hungry" took part in the march through the city. At one stage, the crowd closed on British correspondents and photographers.

standing on the roof of the staff car but moved away with out violence after jeering. Later, stones were thrown at the car as it moved slowly through the crowd.

Attack On Car

Fritz Stahl, Chairman of the Dusseldorf Trade Unions Joint Committee, told the crowd through loud-speakers in the park that the unions would not rest until "the present catastrophe" had been overcome and the conscience of the world had been aroused.

Cheers greeted the statement of one speaker that "we will demand until we get more food."

A British safety officer said that extra police were standing by but he declined to say whether British troops were being mobilised.

Shortly before lunchtime today, British military policemen appeared in the centre of Dusseldorf for the first time since the hunger demonstration began and a light armoured car was seen in the suburbs. Hunger demonstrators today turned the occupants out of a British Military Government car and threw the car into a lake.

"All Orderly"

The demonstrations in Dusseldorf and other centres of the Ruhr are described in a statement issued by the London Control Office for Germany and Austria as "all orderly." The statement says: "From the early hours of this morning, long columns marched in an orderly fashion through the streets of Dusseldorf to take part in a mass demonstration in the Hofgarten."

Banners were carried protesting against food shortages and at 9.30 a.m. it looked as if the whole population of Dusseldorf was moving in one direction. Even at that hour tens of thousands of people were jammed in the Hofgarten and some had been there for several hours.

Trams were not running but essential services such as gas, electricity, water and telephones were still in operation. Schools, shops and factories were closed.

"GRAVE FAULT" — SUICIDE

Paris, Mar. 28.

The body of a 15-year-old schoolgirl has been recovered from the River Seine in a Paris suburb. A note left on the river bank said: "I am going to drown myself because I have committed a grave fault."

The headmistress of the girl's school said that the girl had hidden the quarterly report containing marks for her class and was afraid to own up when an inquiry was made. —*Reuter.*

Political Background

This demonstration in Dusseldorf coincides with a similar one in Essen this morning and follows a number of stoppages and demonstrations in various towns of the Ruhr. Demonstrations and stoppages of work are also taking place today in Witten, affecting between 2,000 and 3,000 people. In Cologne yesterday 5,000 workers stopped work.

At Osnabruck, 8,000 building workers ceased work as a protest against the lack of bread. All demonstrations have been orderly, the statement concluded.

Keith Garner, Reuters Correspondent in Dusseldorf, adds that senior British officials claim that political agitators are organising the Ruhr food strikes with the object of influencing the Moscow conference.

"The incidents would not have taken place without the food crisis," one of them said, "but the action the agitators have taken in the Ruhr at the moment certainly does not come from former Nazis."

It is believed that no British military personnel were injured during the demonstrations.

In Hand

A senior British official said: "So far there is no direct evidence that Communist or any other specific political party are behind the demonstrations but we are naturally watching and investigating."

Dr. Kurt Schumacher, leader of the Social Democrat Party, told me by phone from Hanover this evening that he was in constant touch with Dusseldorf and that the trade unions had the demonstrations firmly in hand. "To say that the Communist Party is behind the demonstrations is greatly over-estimating the power of the Communists in the area," he said.—*Reuter.*

Mobile Mrs. Mops Do Their Stuff

London, Mar. 28.

As flood waters in the Home Counties continued to recede today mobile Mrs. Mops were standing by to help in the great clean-up of inundated homes.

Fifty of these cleaning units manned by W.V.S. have been provided from money from Canada, including a £5,000 gift from the Toronto Evening Telegraph.

Other W.V.S. personnel using Army "Ducks" have been keeping mobile canteens going day and night and distributing clothing during the floods.

In Yorkshire, however, the floods began to rise after the night's rain and more families had to be evacuated. In the Selby area, where supplies were dropped by parachute earlier to marooned villagers, Royal Air Force food reception stations were set up in the top floors of flooded houses from which a lifeboat was to pick up further supplies to be dropped by a Lancaster later today.

Water 13 to 14 feet deep walled around Wistow Village. "Operation Drinkables" under which the Royal Air Force supplied drinking water to London homes while the Lea Bridge water filters were out of action through the floods, ended today.

One hundred Air Force tankers, which worked in co-operation with the Army and Metropolitan Waterboard, delivered 220,000 gallons of water to householders in four days. Five hundred Northern Command troops, including R.E.s from the Military Engineering School, Ripon, are making satisfactory progress in pulling

the gap in the Ouse bank at Balby, Yorkshire. Brigadier Reid, Chief of General Staff, Northern Command, is on the spot of operations. It is feared that other breaches may occur. The Duke of Gloucester will tour the flooded Fens on Sunday and visit Carth gap.—*Reuter.*

Shinwell To Tell The House

London, Mar. 28.

Informed Whitehall sources said that the Minister of Fuel and Power, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, will explain Government's new coal economy measures to the House of Commons next Wednesday.

It is quite certain, it was understood, that all residential heating by gas and power will be prohibited during June, July and August. Some exemptions will be made for babies, invalids and the aged.

Otherwise, it will be an offence for anyone to use gas or electricity to heat a room. There will be no restriction on the use of coal, these sources reported, and coal deliveries will continue throughout the summer. The B.B.C. will not broadcast during the day—now five hours daily—during which the use of power for domestic purposes is prohibited. Associated Press.

Alpine Trek Hero Gets Divorce

London, Mar. 29.

Stanley Walter Russell Edwards, 24, soldier of Norwich, who recently tramped across the Alps from Italy to England with Ilsa Nuccia Tenca, 34-year-old Italian woman, today was granted a decree nisi of divorce at Norwich on the grounds of adultery by his wife.

In the name court room this month Signorina Tenca was charged with illegal entry into England and was told by the magistrate that she could stay in the country until her soldier lover was free to marry her.

Edwards, an alleged deserter was sent back to his unit overseas after being bound over for aiding and abetting her.

He was present today to hear Judge Lawson Campbell pronounce the decree in an undefended suit.

In a statement alleged to have been made by Edwards at the Police Court hearing, he said that with the money from the sale of Ilsa Tenca's shop they travelled by train to Milan, then they began to tramp through the St. Bernard Pass, often waist deep in snow, and thence across France to Roulogne and the Channel.

A fisherman took them to within three miles of the English coast and from there the couple rowed ashore in a dinghy bought from the fisherman for £6.

The two were found exhausted in a squatters camp.—*Associated Press.*

He Would Kill Baby

Singapore, Mar. 28.

Lieutenant-General Numath, Chief of Staff to the late Count Terauchi, continuing his evidence at the afternoon session of the Japanese massacre trial today gave further details of the Japanese Army code and stated:

"A poor nation" like Japan was dependent on implicit obedience of her soldiers for success in war.

He quoted "suicide planes, human torpedoes and human bullets" as working examples of the Japanese code of absolute obedience.

In answer to a question by the prosecution, Numath said that if he was ordered by a superior officer to bayonet a helpless baby, he would do so without hesitation.—*Reuter.*

SOVIET PURGE OF NAZIS

Berlin, Mar. 28.

Newspaper speculation on the disappearance from the Soviet sector of a number of Berlin University students and members of youth organisations, had a sequel today when an official of the Soviet Commandantura told Soviet correspondents that six persons had been arrested for "secret Fascist activity" and other offences against the occupation authorities.

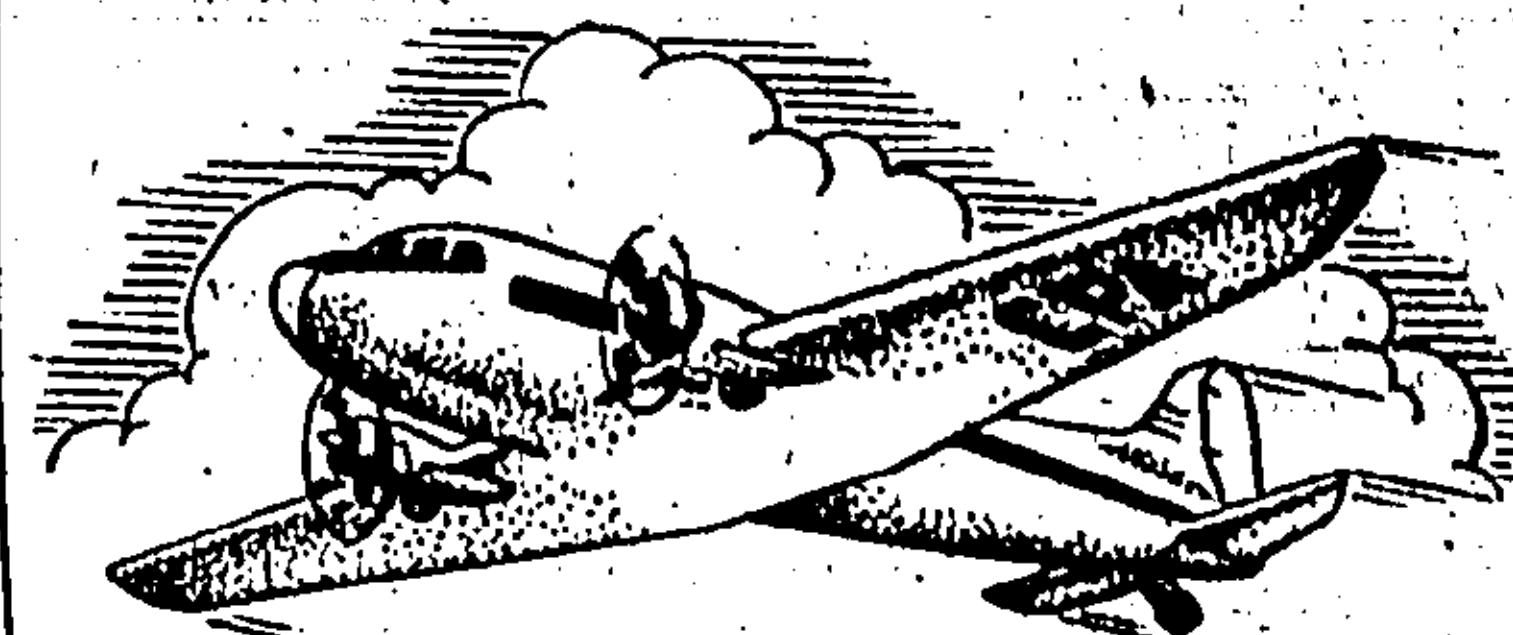
The arrests were a follow up to "Operation Selection Board" in the Western zones and investigations were still proceeding, an official said.—*Reuter.*

WOT! NO GUINNESS?

Dublin, Mar. 28.

Guinness Brewery officials announced tonight that they would close down in four weeks unless coal supplies were replenished before then.

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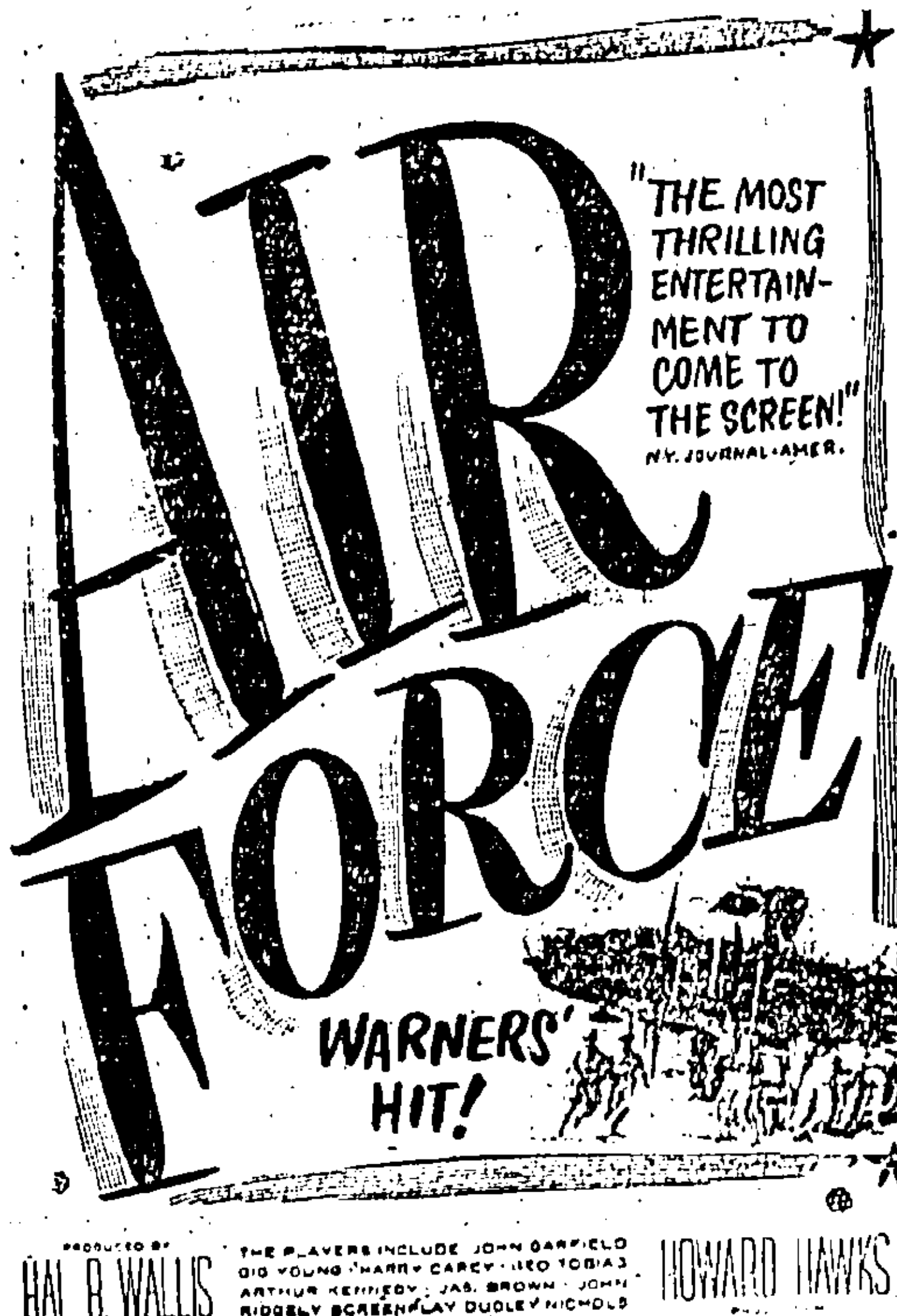
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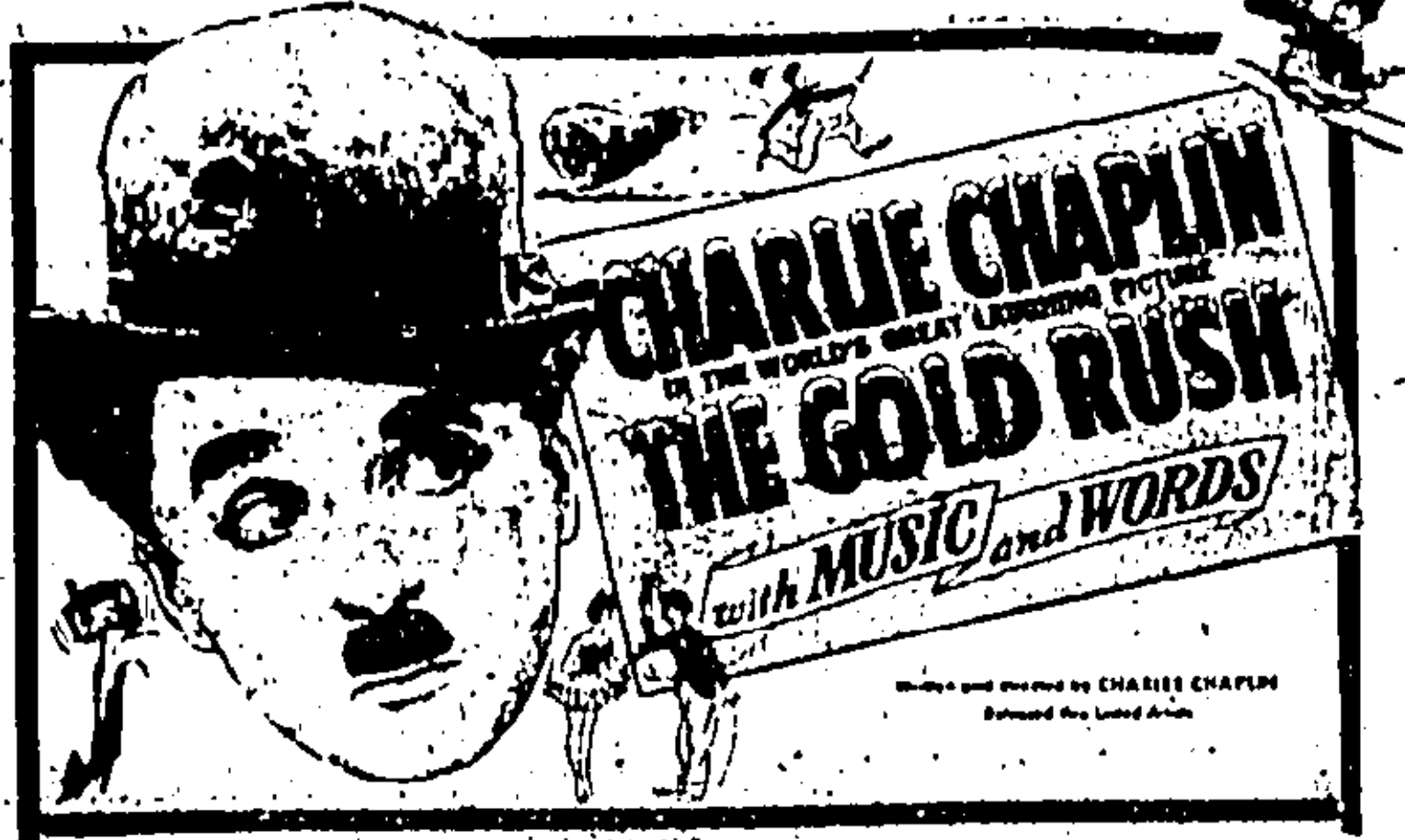
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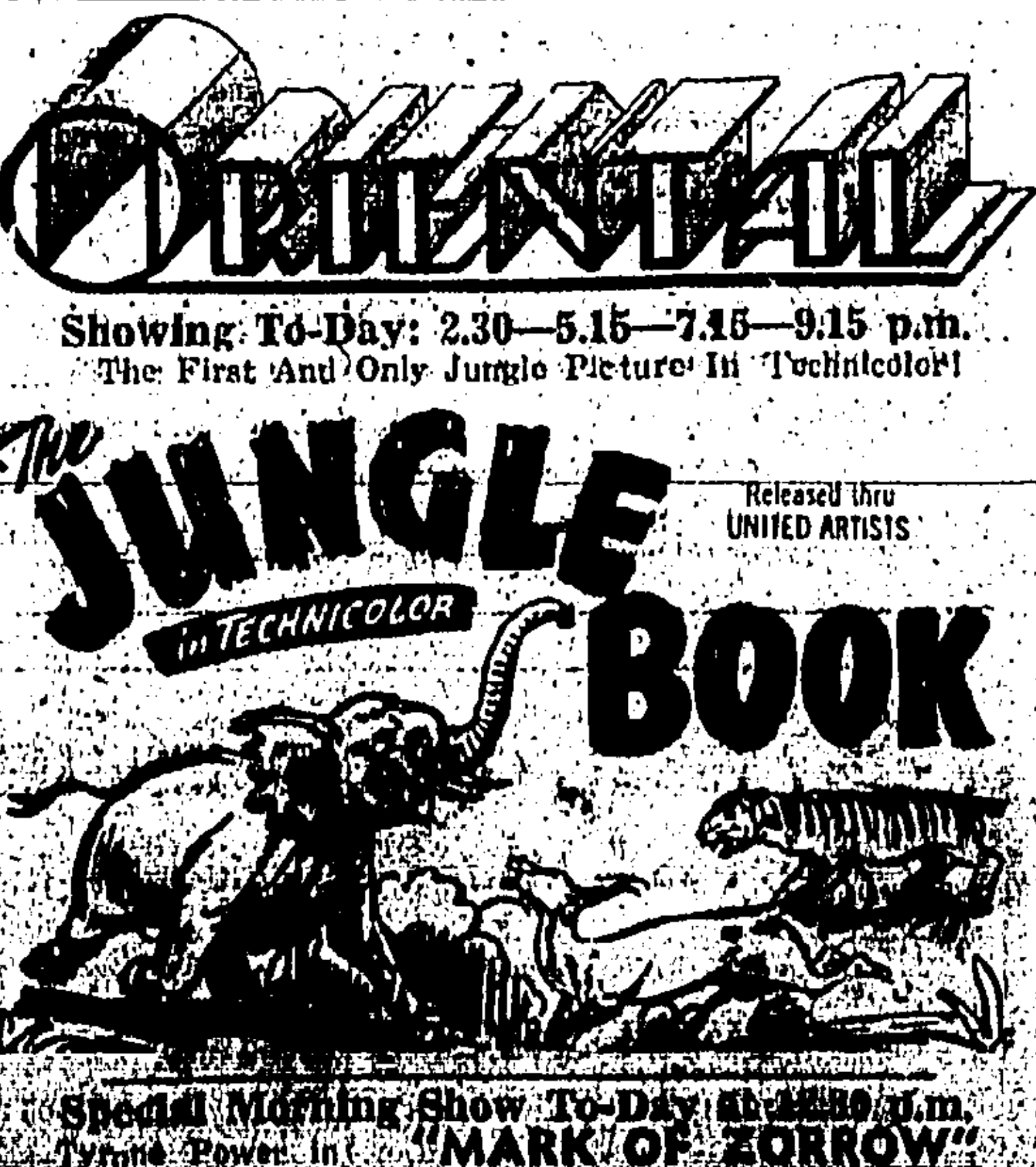
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RED "POLICE" STATES Accusations By U.S. Statesmen "Impressed" Army In Korea

Washington, Mar. 28. United States Government policy-makers that Russia is running "police" states in the Soviet occupation zones and maintaining an "impressed" army of half a million men in northern Korea have been made public.

These accusations are contained in a document representing testimony before the House Appropriations Committee.

The appropriation at issue— which the committee approved— was the War Department request for an immediate \$300,000,000 emergency appropriation for relief in United States occupation zones.

In the document, Assistant Secretary of War Howard Petersen is quoted as cautioning Congress that failure to approve the funds would "bankrupt" United States foreign policy, that the "position of world leadership has certain responsibilities" and that "they cost money."

Of the requested \$300,000,000, a total of \$97,000,000 would be allocated for Germany, \$18,000,000 for Austria, \$74,000 (described as an "inconsequential amount") for Italy, \$144,000,000 for Japan and \$68,000,000 for Korea.

Korean Curtain

This \$300,000,000 would be in addition to: The previously voted \$425,000,000 appropriation for relief costs in occupied zones for the 12 months ending June 30; The War Department request for \$725,000,000 for the same purpose in its budget for the year ending July 1; A pending measure to authorize expenditure of \$350,000,000 for relief in Italy, Greece, Hungary, Austria, Poland and China.

President Truman's request for \$400,000,000 for aid to Turkey and Greece, and United States contributions to the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. During the hearings today, Lieutenant-General J. B. Hodge, Commander of the United States Forces in Korea, told the committee that a curtain divides southern Korea and the Soviet occupied northern half of the country and added: "Why the Russians take the attitude that they do I do not know."

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Based on his question on information apparently supplied by committee members privately, one member asked: "Do I understand that this army that has been referred to as half a million men presumably is an impressed army?"

Impressed Army

General Hodge replied: "The information we have from sources of information we get indicated that it is by and large an impressed army."

Another member asked the Assistant Secretary of War: "To what extent is Russia winning over support and allegiance and cooperation of the European people, which would make them Russian allies in the event of another war with the United States?"

Mr. Petersen replied: "In the occupied areas I would say that they are not making much progress outside of their own zones, where they have as usual a police state."—Reuter.

Another U.S.-Soviet Argument

Sofia, Mar. 27 (delayed). The United States and Soviet delegates on the United Nations Commission investigating the Balkans squared off in a heated, three-hour debate for the second straight day today over the American proposal that the Greek charges of Bulgarian and Yugoslav support in an autonomous Macedonian government be investigated.

The Soviet delegate, M. Lavrikov, accused the United States delegate, Mr. Mark Ethridge, of trying to "whitewash the Greek government." Mr. Ethridge in return said, "I am not willing to close my mind to the idea that other governments also have been responsible for the Greek situation."

An argument broke out when Mr. Ethridge requested the Bulgarian and Yugoslav liaison officers to make a specific answer to the Greek charges that their governments were covering a movement in Greece in attempting to acquire a province for themselves.—United Press.

Rangoon, Mar. 28. The Burma Oil Company employees resumed work today after three-day strike. The end of the strike followed the Government's appeal to the workers last night.—Reuter.

RUBBER SUPPLY THREATENED

New Delhi, Mar. 28. India's A. Subba, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Indonesian Republic, declared today that worldwide shipments of rubber and copra will cease on Jan. 31, 1949, unless the Dutch Government fulfills its promise to withdraw its troops from Republican territory by that time.

Salim, who is accompanying Indonesian delegates to the inter-Asian conference, added however: "I have no reason to doubt the good faith of the Dutch Government."—United Press.

Raid On Catholics

Rome, Mar. 29. Three Yugoslav war criminals wanted by the Yugoslav government were reported today to have been found when the British and Italian police last night raided the Yugoslav Roman Catholic college of San Gerolamo.

Seventy people were detained but the majority of them were released after questioning which went on throughout the night.

It was originally thought that Ante Pavelitch, the Croat "Quisling" leader, was using the college as a hideout during the visit he made to Rome and the police hoped to take him in the surprise raid.

He was not, however, among those detained. Earlier this month Pavelitch

Toulon Commander To Die

Paris, Mar. 28. Admiral Jean de Laborde, 69-year-old former Commander of the French Fleet at Toulon, was sentenced to death today by the Versailles High Court on charges of intelligence with the enemy, acts prejudicial to national defence and destruction of French ships.

The Admiral was also sentenced to national degradation and confiscation of his property.

After the Allied landings in North Africa Admiral de Laborde, as Commander-in-Chief of the French Mediterranean Fleet, received a telegram from Admiral Darlan inviting the French Fleet to leave Toulon and join the Allied Forces in Oran.

Instead, the Fleet was scuttled and although it was first reported that the Admiral went down with his ship, a later report said that he had been captured and sent to Germany.

The prosecutor said during the trial today that de Laborde showed "implacable hostility to the Allies and boasted that the British flag would no longer fly over the Mediterranean." He added that de Laborde had not shown any open complicity with the enemy.—Reuter.

was reported to be in Genoa, trying to escape to South America.—Reuter.

Most Americans Dead In Five Years?

Washington, Mar. 28. Former Governor George S. Earle of Pennsylvania said today that most Americans may be dead five years from now because "we are too naive and charitable to use the atom bomb on Russia before she uses it against us."

One-time Minister to Bulgaria and Turkey, Mr. Earle told the House Un-American Activities Committee that Russian leaders were "ruthless fanatics, bent on our destruction" and there was no reason to doubt they would use the atom bomb if they had it.

He added, "Because we won't attack first, I don't think more than 10 per cent of us will be alive five years from now."


Mr. Earle testified on the bill to outlaw the American Communist Party after Governor Kim Sigler of Michigan warned that the Communists were trying to take over Labour unions and destroy industry as a prelude to an attempt to overthrow the government.

Mr. Sigler told the Committee that United States Communists

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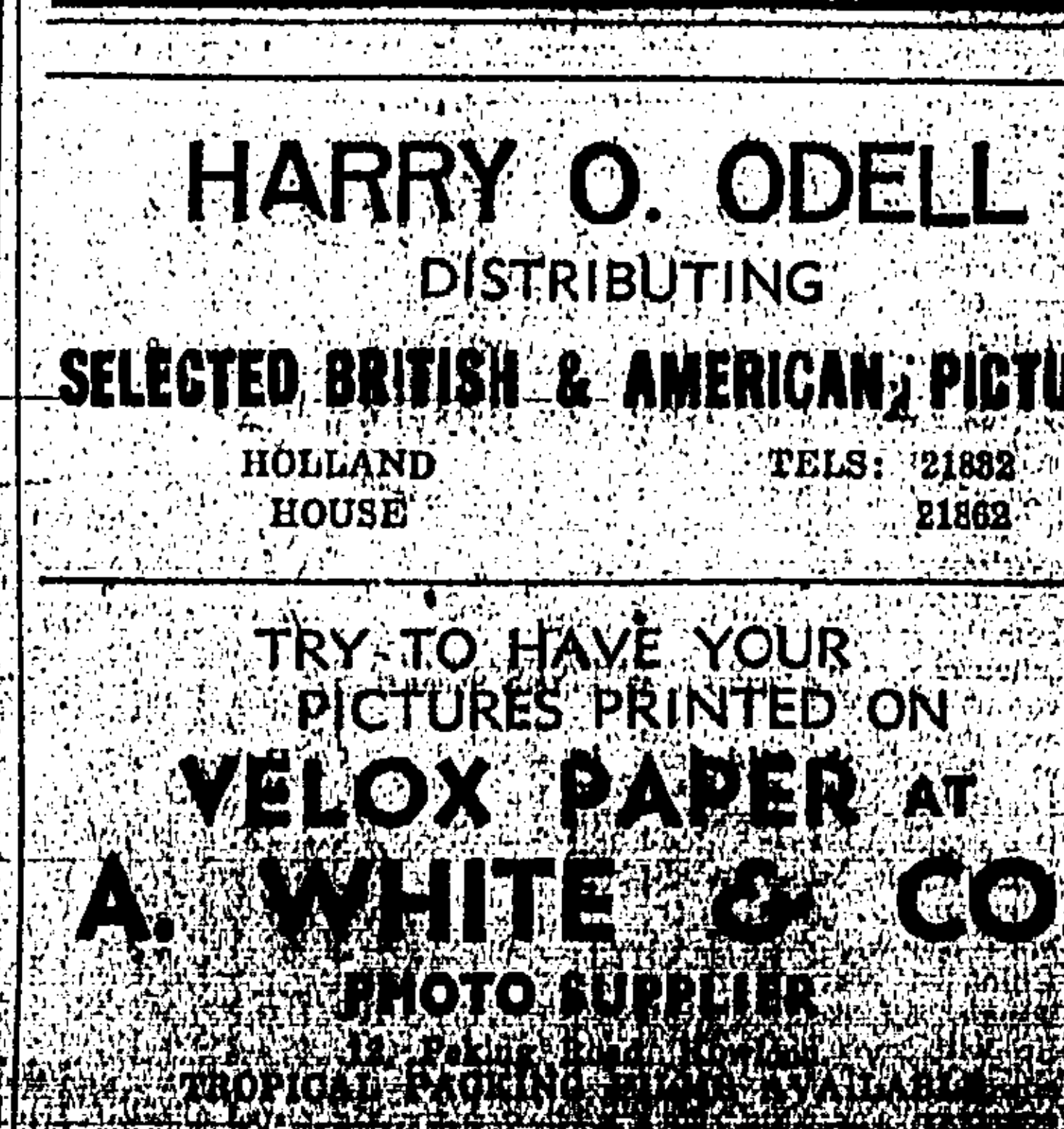
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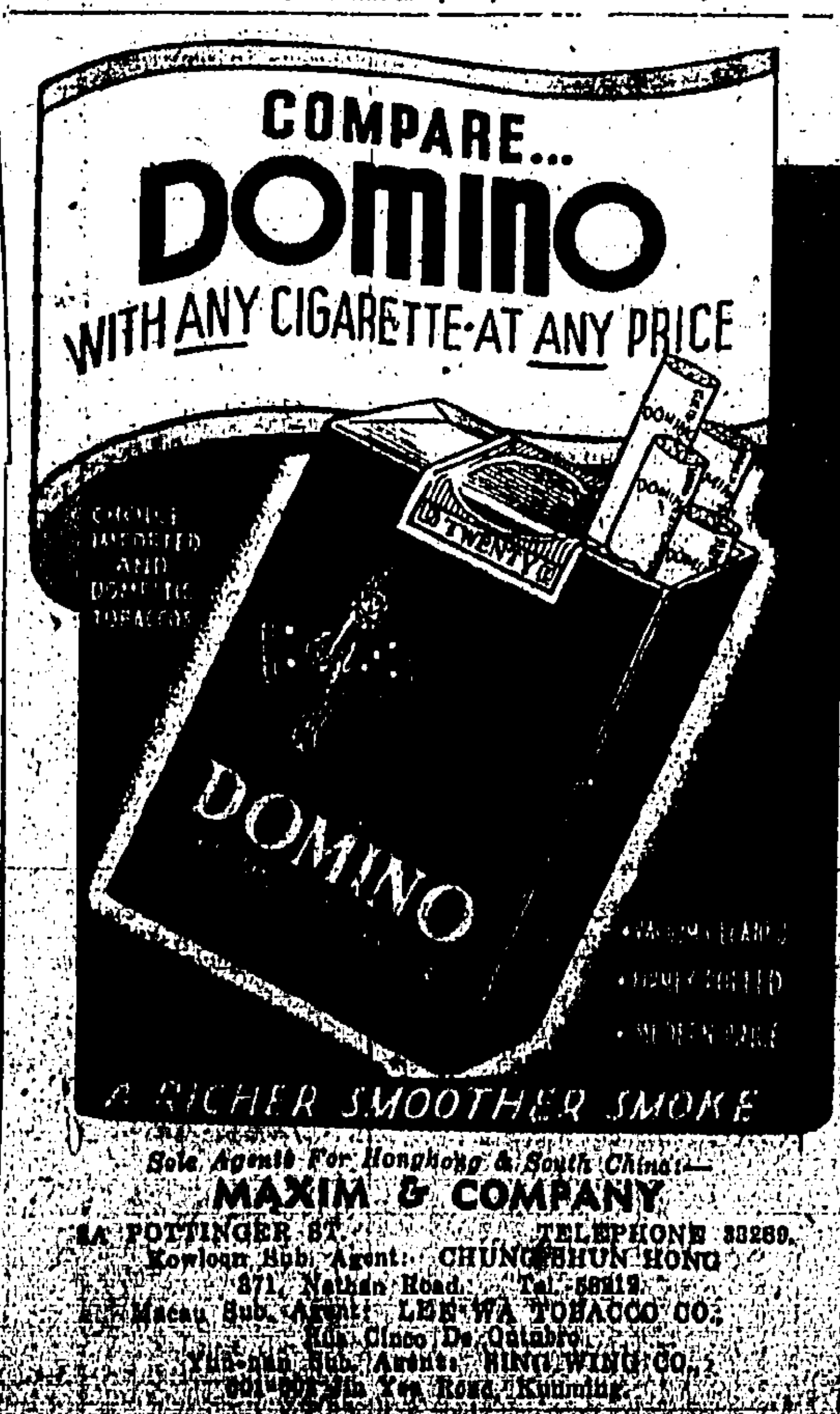


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THE NEW MRS. KOTEWALL, CUTTING THE CAKE AT THE HONG KONG HOTEL RECEPTION, FOLLOWING HER WEDDING ON TUESDAY OF LAST WEEK. (Francis Wu).

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THE FIRST IMPORTANT ATHLETIC MEETING SINCE THE WAR WAS HELD AT CAROLINE HILL LAST WEEK. A THREE CORNERED SERVICES CONTEST WON BY THE COMMANDO BRIGADE. PICTURE ABOVE SHOWS THE FINISH OF THE 880 YARDS, WITH LIEUTENANT JACKSON OF THE BUFFS JUST PIPPING CAPTAIN PEARNS, COMMANDOS, ON THE POST (Golden Studio).



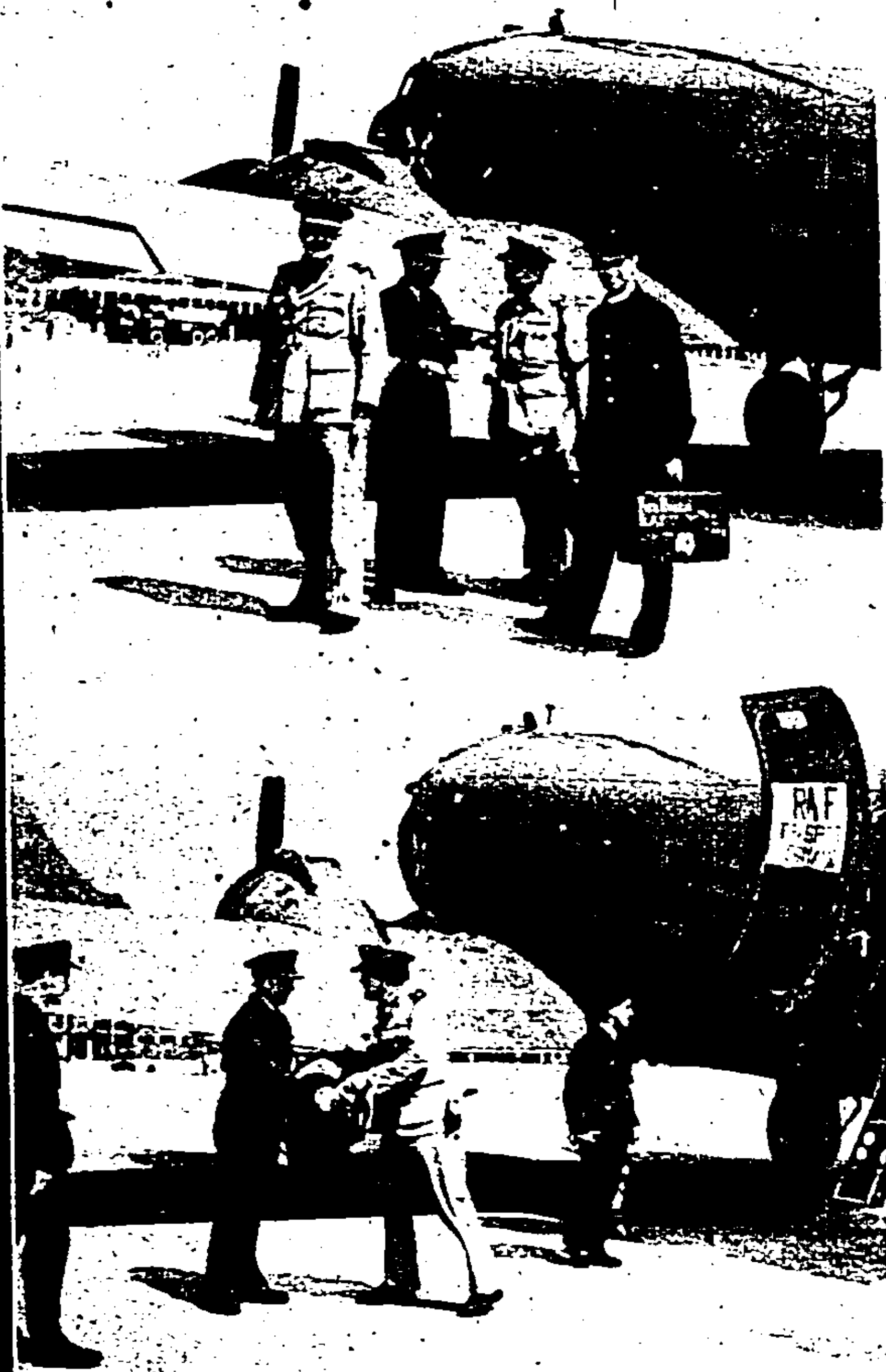
COMMODORE EVERETT, R.N. AND MAJOR-GENERAL ERSKINE WATCHING THE ATHLETIC SPORTS AT CAROLINE HILL. (Golden Studio).



THE SUCCESSFUL 3 COMMANDO BRIGADE RELAY TEAM: LT. GODDARD, CPL. WYKES, CAPTAIN PEARNS AND SGT. DRAYTON. (Golden Studio).



MISS PAT MITCHELL, YOUNGER DAUGHTER OF LT. COL. AND MRS. E. J. R. MITCHELL, O.B.E. HER MARRIAGE TO MR. F. G. NIGEL, OF THE GOVERNMENT LEGAL BRANCH, WILL TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 10. (A Galasborough portrait).



THE CHAPLAIN-IN-CHIEF OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, AIR VICE MARSHAL THE REV. J. A. JAGOE, C.B.E., ARRIVED AT KAI TAK LAST WEEK. PHOTOS SHOW ABOVE: DR. JAGOE, GROUP CAPTAIN E. A. JONES, GROUP CAPTAIN THE REV. LESLIE WRIGHT, ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN-IN-CHIEF, AIR COMMAND, FAR EAST, AND SQUADRON LEADER THE REV. C. E. MOXLEY, OF KAI TAK. BELOW, THE AIR VICE MARSHAL CHAPLAIN-IN-CHIEF GREETING GROUP CAPT. JONES, STATION COMMANDER, KAI TAK, ON HIS ARRIVAL.



FLIGHT-SERGEANT M. W. MARRIOTT (110 SQUADRON R.A.F.) AND MISS PHYLLIS HARRIS, AFTER THEIR WEDDING LAST WEEK AT THE ROSARY CHURCH, KOWLOON.

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PORTRAITS
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Caughoo Wins The National

Liverpool, Mar. 29.
Caughoo won the Grand National here today at a price of 100-1, with Lough Conn second at 33-1 and Kami third also at 33-1. Prince Regent, who was the 8-1 favourite, was fourth. Caughoo won by twenty lengths. Four lengths separated the second and third. Fifty-seven horses ran. Lovely Cottage and Wish Me Luck were scratched at the last minute.

Hours before the race (which is run over 4 1/2 miles) was due to start huge crowds covered the Aintree course despite foul wet weather. Two and a half hours' solid rain had turned the paddock into a quagmire and the going on the course was very heavy, which was the main reason why James Moran, the owner of last year's winner Lovely Cottage, said he would not run his horse again.

Home Football Results

London, Mar. 29.
The results in today's football matches were as follows:

First Division		
Villa	2	Chelsea 0
Blackpool	3	Leeds U. 0
Brentford	0	Grimby 1
Derby Co.	1	Bolton 3
Everton	1	Stoke C. 1
(being played in the evening)		
Huddersfield	2	Manchester U. 2
Portsmouth	3	Millwall 1
Sunderland	2	Sheffield U. 1
Wolves	4	Preston N.E. 1

Second Division		
Bradford	2	Southampton 3
Chesterfield	2	Barnsley 1
Fulham	0	West H. A. 1
Luton	3	Swansea 0
Manchester C.	2	Notts For. 1
Millwall	3	Newport C. 1
Plymouth Arg.	3	Spurs 4
Sheffield W.	1	Birmingham 0

Third Division South		
Aldershot	0	Southend 0
Bournemouth	1	Reading 0
Brighton	0	Queens P.R. 2
Bristol C.	1	Watford 2
Cardiff C.	0	Palace 0
Exeter	3	Leiston O. 1
Northampton	0	Stockport C. 1
Norwich	2	Torquay U. 0
Notts C.	5	Mansfield 1
Portsmouth	1	Ipwich 0
Swindon	1	Walsall 1

Third Division North		
Chester	3	Accrington 1
Crawley Alex.	2	Roche 2
Derbyshire	1	Oldham A. 1
Gateshead	3	Wrexham 3
Hartlepool U.	0	Stockport C. 1
Hull City	0	Stockport C. 1
Lincoln	6	N. Brighton 1
Rotherham	4	Carlisle 0
Southport	0	Hullfax 1
York City	0	Barrow 2

**RUGBY
INTERNATIONAL**
Swansea, Mar. 29.
Wales beat Ireland by 6 points to nil in the Rugby International match here today.—Reuter.

FIRE AT KAI TAK

A minor outbreak of fire occurred at two o'clock yesterday afternoon involving a contractor's storehouse at the airfield at Kai Tak.

Within a quarter of an hour of the arrival of the Station Fire tender, the flames were totally extinguished. The building, in which a considerable quantity of paint was stored, was burnt out.

RECEIVING ORDER

An interim receiving order was made yesterday by His Lordship the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Blackall, against the Hong Yuen Trading Company and Chan Yik Hay, a partner in the firm, Debtors.

Mr. H.A. Barrow, Botolph, Registrar, appeared on behalf of the Official Receiver.

The petitioning creditor, Ng Cheong Koo, was represented by Mr. A.S.C. Combet, of Messrs. Dobson & Company.

London, Mar. 29.
The Government White Paper on Agriculture Education, issued today, recommended that farm schools should be established in England and Wales to provide a practical education for the young.

Caughoo covered the 4 1/2 mile course in 10 min. 3-1/5 sec. Among the interested spectators was Colonel Mikhail Gromov, a member of the Soviet delegation visiting Britain. He watched the race on horseback near the noted Vale-tine's Brook. He expressed a wish to have a shot at getting round the course but this was not possible.

The grandstand was decorated with the hammer and sickle flag of Soviet Russia as well as the flags of Britain, France and the United States.

Nearly 1,000 police and 30 squad cars were on duty to maintain the vast crowd, which was in a happy humour, despite the soaking it had already received before the race began. The police kept in touch with "walkie talkie" apparatus.

Tim Hyde, jockey of the fa-

IRISH SWEEP WINNERS

Dublin, March 29.
A ticket holder named M. Markovitch of New York won £25,000 in the Irish Sweepstakes today when Caughoo won the Grand National at Aintree.

Ticket holders on the second horse, Lough Conn, this winning £10,000, included "Speedo" of New York, George Pfeffer, of New York City, and a ticket signed "Bill" from Canada.

Lough Conn was also held by a ticket signed Douglas E. Myers, of British West India.

Holders on the third horse, Kami, entitled holders to £5,000, included George of Canada; Chickie Wind, of New York; Blowing My Way, of North Arlington, New Jersey; County Cork, of Kearney, New Jersey; and a ticket signed with three names, M. McGrohan, P. Murphy (last name blotted out), of New York City.—United Press.

Caughoo, took his favourite, Prince Regent, took his chance for a canter before the race and said his mount was in great heart and "had never been jumping better in his whole life," but the main trouble, combined with the quarantine conditions, took heavy toll of the favourite and many other horses in the race.

The full betting was: 8-1 Prince Regent; 100-6 Leveley; 22-1 Bricket, Lucan Casca; 25-1 Housewarmer; 28-1 Domino; 33-1 Permanent, Silverframe, Kami, Lough Conn, Mysikal, Laid, Jack Finlay; 41-1 Kilnagor, Gormanstown, Shell's Chicken, Parthenon, Some Chicken; 50-1 Halcynhours, Legman, Clyduff, Prattle, Black Jennifer; 60-1 Schubert, Brighter, Sandy, Klaxton, Bullington, Rowlandby, First of the Danes, Bricket, Martin; 100-1 others.—Reuter.

Driving Rain
Driving rain and mist affected the horses when they lined up for the start, particularly the only American entry, Refugio, which gave a buck-pumping performance. There were 57 entries.

Three horses, Bomber, Command, and Refugio, and Lough Conn, quickly took the lead at the start, but the favourite, Prince Regent, jumping like a stag, went ahead at treacherous Echer's Brook.

Finishers
Besides the placed horses the following finished the course: Prince Regent, Some Chicken, Housewarmer, Refugio, Kilnagor, Clyduff, Ocultar, Halcynhours, Bricket, Schubert, Long Man, Brighter, Sandy, Rearmament, Toyen, Laid, Flight, Martin, M. Gormanstown and Tullyra.

LIGHT BLUES WIN

A Reuter flash just before going to Press announced that Cambridge had won the boat-race, by 10 lengths. The amended time was 23 min. 1 sec.

The BBC commentary was heard extremely clearly in Hong Kong, Cambridge taking the lead from Oxford at the start, soon easily.

Prince Regent began a tussle for the lead which Lough Conn took at the 14th fence, establishing a good three lengths lead although hampered by three loose horses.

At the end of the first circuit, Lough Conn maintained the lead followed by Musical Lad and Kilnagor, while Prince Regent, burdened and dropped back to 10th position.

Tailed off in the rear was Black Jennifer, who, nevertheless, continued plodding round the course.

As in the last event, Lough Conn continued to make the running and looked as though he would atone for his previous bad luck. By this time, Gypso and Rowland Boy had thrown their jockeys. They were quickly joined by Black Jennifer, while Bogart and Granitz were pulled up and took no further part in the race.

Meanwhile Caughoo, who was jumping well was rapidly making up ground although Lough Conn still hung on to the lead at Valentine's Brook.

Canal Turn

At the canal turn, the second time round, Bricket, Kilnagor, Caughoo and Prince Regent were fighting out the issue, but Caughoo looked every inch a winner jumping confidently despite the fact that loose horses were interfering with those still on their feet.

After leading practically all the way, Lough Conn could not finish and finishing speed and the fact

FASTBALL

(By "Neutral")
Postponed from last week on account of rain, the first round of the International Fastball series will be contested today at King's Park. Starting at 2.30 p.m. Portugal and India will fight out the right to meet Great Britain in the semi-final.

Both Portugal and India have been hard at practice and a hard and fast game should be seen.

Manager Chuck Eguirido will most probably start Leo Tavares, their star ace hurler, with Spotty Pereira on the receiving end while Billy Beazley and Razack will be the following are the respective probable line-ups:

Portugal: Tavares, Pereira, Brown, Osorio, Alves, Vieira, Gosano, Bayot, Soares, Quinn.

India: Nazarin, Razack, Baker, Marker, Rumliah, B. Omar, Hussain, E. Omar, S. Dicks, A. K. Omar.

Immediately after this game China will meet America and a good and even game should be seen.

DEATH OF JOHN EVERS
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ST. JOSEPHS SURPRISE POTENTIAL CHAMPIONS

After being in the doldrums for the last few weeks, St. Josephs surprised their most ardent supporters yesterday by forcing Sing Tao, potential champions of the First Division, to a two-all draw and with a little luck, might well have emerged winners. It must be admitted, however, that Sing Tao definitely had the better of the attack and peppered MacDougall, the Saints custodian, with shots from all angles.

Sing Tao made only one change from the team which so decisively defeated South China last week. Tang Kwong-sum came in on the right wing in place of Ho Yin-fun, who was seen on the left wing in place of Tso Chau-ting.

Saints had the services of Airoso, the Interport pivot, and Carvalho at centre forward. These two greatly strengthened the Saints and they were among the outstanding players on the field. But the greatest credit must go to MacDougall in goal. He played one of his best games this season, though somewhat lucky with some of his saves. He displayed rare judgment and dealt confidently with all the shots which came his way from a distance.

In front of him, Daniels (who is improving with every match) gave a superb display and though starting off shakily in the first half was a great advantage in the second period against the speedy Ho Yin-fun, who was not playing in his usual position on the right wing.

Airoso, in the pivotal position, again proved that as a pivot he has no equal in the Colony. Playing an excellent third back game, he often stood between several Sing Tao players and his citadel and in the many interesting duels and tussles came out best. He never placed a foot wrong throughout the game. His passing always found one of his unmarked team mates. Had he come up with the play, in a Saints attack, the result might have been different.

Leonard and Hussain, who have played for St. Josephs for many years, also turned out in the defence. Both found the speed and ball control of the Sing Tao forwards most disconcerting and both were often drawn out of position and out-paced.

In the second half, they changed their tactics. Leonard was ordered to shadow Fung King-cheung and Hussain concentrated on Lal Shu-wing. The result was that both these dangerous forwards did not have much room within which to manoeuvre.

The surprise packet of the St. Josephs attack was their left wing combination of Omar and Pereira, two youngsters who were playing their first game before a large crowd. It was from this quarter that most of the danger to the Sing Tao defence came.

Omar, as an ex-Interport remarked, had all the qualifications of a first class player except weight, and should, in time, figure prominently in representative games. Possessing good ball control and fair speed, he had Hau Yung-sang guessing on several occasions, and his centres were always well-placed.

"Gus" Pereira his companion was also a trier and gave promise. He sent good passes to Omar and Carvalho and had hard luck on one occasion in not getting the ball.

Sing Tao did not play their usual game and generally speaking they gave one of their worst displays this season. Ho Yin-fun, on the left wing, in the first half, was by far their most dangerous forward and in that period all the danger came from him. He had Hussain outpaced and beaten and only had luck prevented him from scoring often.

The Saints attacked from the start, but in the first minute of the game Sing Tao took the lead through Ho Yin-fun, who nipped in as a result of a misunderrstanding and netted from close range giving MacDougall no chance.

From then onwards, for a considerable period, the Saints defence were all at sea, and several times they were drawn out of position by the Sing Tao forwards. Hussain found Ho Yin-fun much to be feared and he

YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS

The following were yesterday's results:

FIRST DIVISION		
St. Joseph's	2	Sing Tao 2
Eastern	4	Navy 1
42 Commando	7	Kwong Wah 1
27 R.A.	0	Club 0

SECOND DIVISION		
Deans	5	3 Cde. Ed. H.O. 1
H.K. Signal Coy.	0	44 R.M. Cde. 1
K.H. Choe	2	Club 2
South China	2	C.A.S.C. 2
Police	0	Sing Tao 1

SECOND DIVISION

The game between the Hong Kong Wireless Station and R.M.C. at Chatham Road yesterday ended in a goalless draw.

South China v C.A.S.C.
The Second Division football game between South China and C.A.S.C. at Caroline Hill yesterday ended in a 2-2 draw, after the latter led 2-1 at the interval.

Lo Chi-pang scored both goals for C.A.S.C., and Tam Chun-kuen and Leo Yuk-tak netted for South China.

Kit Chee v Club
Fielding 10 players, Club played well to lose to Kit Chee only by the odd goal in five in a Second Division football match at Caroline Hill yesterday, after leading 2-1 at the interval.

Gardner netted both goals for Club, while Lau Shing (2) and Lau Wai-man registered for Kit Chee.

42 Commando v Kwong Wah

Although Kwong Wah took the lead right from the start against 42 Commando through Lau Fook-chien, they were no match for the soldiers and eventually were beaten by seven goals to two.

Police v Sing Tao

Sing Tao juniors easily accounted for the Police by four goals to nil after leading by three goals at the interval.

The standard of play was quite high and although the Police team included Howlett they could hardly make any headway against the Sing Tao defence.

27 R.A. v Club

A one-sided First Division football game was witnessed at Sookunpo yesterday when 27th Royal Artillery decisively defeated Club 6-1 by six clear goals, after scoring three in the first half.

The hero of the game was the Gunners' centre-forward, Atkins, who netted five of the six goals scored, including a hat-trick.

The first goal was scored in the twentieth minute of the play by Atkins from a pass by Pemberton, who increased the lead 10 minutes later after a pass by Forster. Two minutes before the half time, Forster netted the third goal from a short pass by Atkins.

After the resumption, play continued for the greater part of the first 20 minutes in the Club's defence area and scored a beautiful ground shot. Thereafter, Club seemed to deteriorate and allowed Atkins to net two more goals in quick succession to register the hat-trick.

Governor's Cup

The Second Round game of the Governor's Cup Competition will be played this afternoon at Caroline Hill at 3.30 p.m. between the Hong Kong Football Association and the Chinese Federation.

Aubrey Smith Still Likes Cricket

Southampton, Mar. 28.
Sir Charles (Aubrey) Smith, the London born film star and Hollywood's Grand Old Man, arrived home from America today, in the liner Queen Elizabeth. It is his first visit here in nine years. He has been in America much longer than that but has lost neither his English accent nor his enthusiasm for cricket.

Lady Smith said today: "During our four months' stay in England we shall live quietly in the country—not too far from a cricket ground. He certainly looks forward to seeing Kent and Sussex again."

Aubrey played for Chatterhouse and Cambridge, captained Sussex, went to Australia with the English Test team in 1927, and next year captained England against South Africa.

FITTING END TO MCC TOUR

Auckland, Mar. 29.
The people of Auckland, who are still talking of Hammond's 336 here ten years ago, today cheered a new hero—Denis Compton—who showed superb art and skill on a treacherous, sticky pitch, by hitting 97, not out and then taking eleven wickets for 49 in a runaway MCC victory over Auckland by an innings and 65 runs.

The result was a fitting end to the tour. Compton gave a masterly display with the bat, but his colleagues could not stay long enough for him to complete a century—one which he so richly deserved.

Since very little impression was made by the other bowlers, Yardley soon called on Compton to bowl and after taking a little time to find his length, the Middlesex man was almost unplayable. He never found such a pitch in Australia and this was his one great bowling success of the tour. Ikin, close at second slip, gave him valuable support.

The MCC thoroughly enjoyed their whirlwind tour of New Zealand. Freed from the anxiety of the Australian Tests, the whole team played delightfully and in spite of rain in the last two games the visit was also financially successful.

The scoreboard:—

M.C.C.

First Innings		
Washbrook, c Taylor, b Wiles	55	
Fishlock, c W.G. Snedden, b Cowie	7	
Edrich, c Scott, b C.A. Snedden	25	
Compton, not out	97	
Yardley, c Wallace, b Emery	17	
Ikin, c and b C.A. Snedden	4	
Evans, c Emery, b C.A. Snedden	10	
Smith, c Kent, b Cowie	1	
Besder, b C.A. Snedden	0	
Wright, c Cowie, b Wiles	5	
Pollard, b Wiles	0	
Extras	11	
Total	240	

BOWLING ANALYSIS		
Cowie	24	5 2 0
C.A. Snedden	20	4 4 85
Wiles	11	0 3 32
Emery	3	1 1 15
Weir	6	0 3 31

RECREIO Beat Club

Club de Recreio beat Hong Kong Cricket Club in a friendly cricket match at H.K.C.C. yesterday, by six wickets.

H.K.C.C.
J.E. Richardson, b Pereira 0
L. Kilbee, c Prata, b 7
T. A. Pearce, c Prata, b G.G. 42
G. Gosano, b G.N. 20
H. Owen-Hughes, c A.V. 0
sane, b L.G. Gosano 0
C. de A. Alves, b Pereira 40
O.J. Kerr, b G.N. 5
A.E. Perry, c Prata, b L.G. 3
G. Gosano 2
N. Hart-Baker, c Noronha, b 3
Prata 6
E.G. Taylor, b Prata 0
R.H. Hughes, not out 0
Extras 22

BOWLING ANALYSIS		
Pereira	14	4 38 3
L. G. Gosano	12	0 40 2
N. G. Gosano	6	2 18 3
Prata	6	1 33 2

Recreio
L. G. Gosano, st. Hughes, b 50
A. E. Noronha, run out 0
G. N. Gosano, c Owen-Hughes, b Taylor 100
A. P. Pereira, b Gourlay 6
A. M. Prata, b Gourlay 8
P. M. N. da Silva, Jr., b 0
A. Bayot, c and b Richardson 0
A. A. Gutierrez, not out 0
Extras 0

Total for 7 wkt. dec. 180
J. L. Alves, B. Remedios, and A. V. Gosano did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS		
Owen-Hughes	3	0 38 0
Gourlay	13	2 34 3
Hart-Baker	0	1 31 0
Taylor	1	0 18 2
Richardson	1	0 18 1

assisted by a complete set of lineaments.

The pickup of admission will be Stand—22. Entrance—12 (including tax).

In the event of play being postponed the programme will be postponed but the same order of play will be adhered to as far as possible.

Tennis
The following is the programme for Colony Tennis Open Championships:

Monday
Tsuai Wai-Pui v Yip Koon Hoong, (Stand Court)
Tsuai Yun-Pui v G. Choa
Lau King and M. Ma v Lam Kwan and Wong Hok Nang.

Tuesday
Winners of Lau King & M. Ma and Lam Kwan & Wong Hok Nang v Tsui Yun-Pui and Tsui Wai-Pui, (Stand Court)
Yip Koon Hoong and Paul Kong v George Lin and Rosh Li Liang.

Wednesday
Paul Kong v Winner of Tsui Yun-Pui and G. Choa, (Stand Court)
Thursday
Ho, K. Lin and F. K. Kwok v Winner of Yip Koon Hoong & Paul Kong, and George Lin & Rosh Li Liang.